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Tuesday, 15 September 2009

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Liberia

Nineteenth progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Liberia (S/2009/411)

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2. The situation in Sierra Leone

Third Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Sierra Leone (S/2009/438)

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1591 Committee (Sudan sanctions)

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¹To be held following the adjournment of the 6188th meeting.

²To be held following the adjournment of the 6189th meeting.

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

3 p.m. 1st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation
3. Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee
4. Organization of work of the sixty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly: letter from the Chair of the Committee on Conferences (A/64/348)

Informal consultations on the provisional agenda item 78 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea: Sustainable fisheries)

10 a.m.–
1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

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Briefing on the Summit on Climate Change

Mr. Janos Pasztor, Director of the Secretary-General's Climate Change Support Team, will hold a briefing for permanent and observer missions on the upcoming Summit on Climate Change (22 September), *today*, 15 September 2009, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

General Committee

The 1st meeting of the General Committee will be held on Wednesday, 16 September 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (see p. 6).

High-level event on reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries

In partnership with Member States of the United Nations with significant interest in advancing reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries, a high-level event on the topic, convened by the Secretary-General, will take place on Wednesday, 23 September 2009, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All Heads of State and Government and their delegations are invited to participate. Participants are requested to confirm their participation at un-redd@un-redd.org. Queries related to the event may also be directed to the same e-mail address (un-redd@un-redd.org).

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

General debate

(23–26 and 28–30 September 2009)

The list of speakers for the general debate of the sixty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2940B and S-2925). The list of speakers has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Procurement reform	

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Second regular session 2009

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3rd meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
	1. Annual report on the evaluation function (E/ICEF/2009/19 and E/ICEF/2009/19/Corr.1) (continued)	[6]
	2. Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation	[4]
	(a) Approval of revised country programme documents discussed at the 2009 annual session	
	(b) Draft country programme documents	
	[The following three draft country programme documents will be presented by region: <i>Eastern and Southern Africa</i> : Uganda (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.27); and <i>Americas and the Caribbean</i> : Argentina (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.28) and Guatemala (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.29).]	
	(c) Extensions of ongoing country programmes (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.32)	
	(d) Midterm reviews of country programmes	
	[The following seven midterm reviews of country programmes will be presented and discussed at this session: <i>Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.25) covering midterm reviews of country programmes in Albania, Belarus, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Turkey and Ukraine; <i>East Asia and the Pacific region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.23) covering midterm reviews of country programmes in Cambodia, People's Republic of China, Indonesia and Viet Nam; <i>Eastern and Southern Africa region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.20) covering midterm reviews of country programmes in Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland and Zambia; <i>West and Central Africa region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.21 and E/ICEF/2009/P/L.21/Corr.1) covering midterm reviews of country programmes in Burkina Faso, Chad and Ghana; <i>Americas and the Caribbean region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.22) covering midterm reviews of country programmes in Guyana and Peru; <i>Middle East and North Africa region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.26) covering midterm reviews of country programmes in the Islamic Republic of Iran and Iraq; and <i>South Asia region</i> (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.24) covering the midterm review of the country programme in Bangladesh.]	
1.15–2.45 p.m.	Informal consultations	Conference Room 6

- 4.30–6 p.m. 4th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber
 Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation (*continued*) [4]
 (e) Advocacy, programme development and intercountry programmes
 (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.31)
 (f) Recommendation for approval of additional regular resources for approved
 country programmes (E/ICEF/2009/P/L.30)

[*Note:* The Western European and Other States Group will meet daily from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room C.]

General Assembly Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission

Fourth session

Sierra Leone configuration

An informal meeting (open) of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held *today*, 15 September 2009, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests

Informal “informal” consultations

There will be informal “informal” consultations, convened by the Co-Facilitators of the United Nations Forum on Forests, Mr. Boen Purnama (Indonesia) and Mr. Hans Hoogeveen (Netherlands), on the Co-Facilitators’ negotiating text on means of implementation for sustainable forest management, *today*, 15, and *tomorrow*, 16 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 15 September 2009

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Forum on Forests)

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

UNITAR/Olof Palme Memorial Fund Negotiation Workshop Series: Workshop on negotiating international peace and security — The protection of civilians in armed conflict

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan (under item 17 of the provisional agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of the Least Developed Countries (at the expert level)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Other activities*The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations***Tuesday, 15 September 2009****Panel discussion on “Half the sky: Turning oppression into opportunity for women worldwide” (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), in partnership with the United Nations Bookshop)**

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[The Secretary-General will deliver opening remarks. All are invited to attend. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Simone Monasebian, UNODC (e-mail monasebian@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).]

Seminar on “Security sector reform and protection of women” (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), in cooperation with the United Nations Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the Security Sector Reform Unit, Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information and to register, please contact OSAA (Ms. Mieke Ikegame (e-mail ikegame@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1937); or Ms. Myriam Kusayanagi (e-mail kusayanagi@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2838)).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 15 September 2009

Room S-226

- 11 a.m. H.E. Mrs. Anda Filip, Permanent Observer of the Inter-Parliamentary Union; Mr. Steven Kull, Director, WorldPublicOpinion.org; Mr. Craig Mokhiber, Deputy Director, New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; and Mr. Oscar Fernández-Taranco, Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs (to present and discuss the findings of a WorldPublicOpinion.org global survey on political tolerance)
- Guests at 12 noon Mr. Alain Le Roy, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; and Ms. Susanna Malcorra, Head of the Department of Field Support

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 16 September 2009

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

General Committee

- 10 a.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 4
- Organization of work of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/64/1)

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Informal consultations on the provisional agenda item 78 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 78 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the provisional agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly will be held from Monday, 28, to Wednesday, 30 September 2009, in Conference Room 8, and on Thursday, 1, and Friday, 2 October, in Conference Room 7, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 1 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider its tentative programme of work and timetable (see document A/63/397).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, from Monday, 5, to Monday, 12 October 2009. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Ms. Giulia Marrone (e-mail marrone@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9328; room S-2977).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of 10 minutes for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and 15 minutes for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Timur Alasaniya, Acting Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mail leong@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

A technical briefing by the Secretariat for delegates of the First Committee will be held on a date to be announced.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 1st meeting on Thursday, 1 October 2009, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Monday, 5 October, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (c/o Mr. Martin Vrstiak (e-mail vrsiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977NN)).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and Permanent Observers at <https://4thcommittee.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail delvasto@un.org).

Second Committee

Organizational meeting

The Second Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Thursday, 17 September 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairpersons and Rapporteur for the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, and to consider its proposed organization of work, which will be issued as document A/C.2/64/L.1.

General debate

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang, will address the Committee.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact Ms. Dolores Lois, *in writing* (e-mail lois@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with past practice of the Second Committee, a time limit of 10 minutes for delegations speaking in their national capacity and 15 minutes for those speaking on behalf of groups should be observed. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950C). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Third Committee*Informal briefing*

Pursuant to paragraph 3 (h) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Chairman of the Third Committee for the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Normans Penke (Latvia), will hold an informal briefing on the organization of work of the Committee (A/C.3/64/L.1) on Thursday, 17 September 2009, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items to be allocated to the Third Committee will open on Monday, 28 September 2009. The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 5 October, at 10 a.m.

Participants

Delegations that have not communicated the composition of their delegation to the Third Committee are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950D). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 1 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider its proposed programme of work. The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/64/L.1.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Mr. Movses Abelian (c/o Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-0360; room S-2633)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee during the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available at www.un.org/ga/fifth/.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 317th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Thursday, 17 September 2009, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Executive Board

Sixth session (resumed)

The resumed sixth session (closed) of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) will be held on Thursday, 1 October 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other forthcoming meetings

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UNITAR briefings for new delegates to the General Assembly

General briefing on the work of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly

Wednesday, 16, and Thursday, 17 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2;

Special briefing on the work of the Second Committee

Friday, 18 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2;

Special briefing on the work of the Third Committee

Friday, 18 September 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2; and

Special briefing on the work of the Fifth Committee

Friday, 18 September 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Group of the Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 17 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 17 September 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Commonwealth: Eighth Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs

Thursday, 24 September 2009, at 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Commonwealth: Ministerial Meeting on Terrorism

Thursday, 24 September 2009, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, following the adjournment of the Eighth Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs.

Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Caribbean Community: Twelfth informal consultation of the Council for Foreign and Community Relations (COFCOR) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Jamaica)

Friday, 25 September 2009, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Ministerial Meeting of the International Conference of New or Restored Democracies (at the ministerial level) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar)

Tuesday, 29 September 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Forthcoming other activities

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Presentation and interactive discussion on “The real wealth of nations: From global warming to global partnership” (organized by the Working Group on Climate Change of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CONGO) and sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Grenada)

Wednesday, 16 September 2009, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marguerite St. John, Permanent Mission of Grenada (e-mail grenada@un.int/mystjohn@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 599-0301 or 1 (646) 373-0002).]

Special event on “Population dynamics and climate change” (on the occasion of the Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General) (organized by the United Nations Population Fund)

Wednesday, 16 September 2009, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jana Simonova, UNFPA (e-mail simonova@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-5066).]

Panel discussion on “Climate change and development: Global responses and policy challenges” (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS))

Friday, 18 September 2009, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Lawrence de Laubadere, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3125; e-mail delaubadere@un.org).]

High-level round table on “The inter-ethnic city: Management and policies for a better integration of migrants” (co-organized by the Alliance of Civilizations, the International Organization for Migration and the Permanent Missions of Canada and Italy)

Monday, 28 September 2009, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. To register, please contact Ms. Chantal Dubois, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail chantal.dubois@international.gc.ca), by Wednesday, 23 September. More information on the event can be found at <www.un.int/iom/Inter-Ethnic%20City.html>.]

Announcements

Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General: Pre-recorded video statements

The Summit on Climate Change convened by the Secretary-General, to take place on Tuesday, 22 September 2009, will feature several innovative elements. Among them is an attempt to change the nature of the discussion through active exchanges between participants in the short time available at a one-day event. Therefore, in lieu of live national statements in the plenary, all Heads of State and Government have the opportunity to send in a pre-recorded video statement that will be made available on the Internet, including on the Summit on Climate Change Web site and on YouTube. Guidelines for pre-recorded video statements were distributed to all Member States in note verbale SG/CCST/2 of 4 August 2009. Member States are encouraged to submit their pre-recorded video statements *as soon as possible*.

For technical questions regarding the pre-recorded video statements by Heads of State and Government, please contact Mr. Andreas Damianou, Chief, Webcast Unit, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-6733).

Arrangements for the Summit on Climate Change are contained in the information note for delegations (A/INF/64/4).

Live webcast of the general debate of the General Assembly (23–26 and 28–30 September 2009)

The general debate of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live and on-demand over the Internet (in English and original language). It will be accessible through the United Nations Webcast at <www.un.org/webcast>.

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statement, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, to ensure timely and accurate posting of the text on the United Nations Web site and as a step to reducing paper usage. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty will be held at United Nations Headquarters, on 24 and 25 September 2009.

The Conference will convene on Thursday, 24 September, at 8 a.m. in Conference Room 3. It will be suspended at 8.50 a.m. and will resume at 11 a.m. From 9 to 11 a.m., a live video screening of the meeting of the Security Council in connection with the issue of nuclear disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation will be broadcast in the same room. The afternoon meeting will take place from 3 to 6 p.m.

On Friday, 25 September 2009, the meetings will be held 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifying States and the name of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (CTBT-Art.XIV/2009/1). This information should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Mr. Thomas Markram, secretariat of the Conference, Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail markram@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0386; fax 1 (212) 963-8892; room S-3140).

The provisional list of speakers for the general exchange of views by ratifiers and signatories is open. For enquiries please contact Ms. Lucia Andaya, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail andaya@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0386; fax 1 (212) 963-8892; room S-3140).

With reference to paragraph 9.1 of document CTBT-Art.XIV/2009/INF.1*, entitled "Information for participants at the Conference on Facilitating the Entry Into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty", all delegates are reminded that security regulations in force require each and every participant in the Conference be registered and have a valid grounds pass plus a colour-coded access card. Two color-coded access cards will automatically be provided per delegation and should be fetched at the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service (room S-201P) on *Thursday 17 September 2009*. More cards can be requested at the pickup, if required.

Further information on the Conference can be found on the CTBTO Web site www.ctbto.org or at the following address: www.un.org/disarmament/.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October, in Conference Room 9, according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 27 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tuesday, 27 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Russian*

Wednesday, 28 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *French*

Wednesday, 28 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 29 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 29 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*

General Assembly

Seating protocol for the sixty-fourth session

On Wednesday, 10 June 2009, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Cambodia to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-fourth session. Consequently, the delegation of Cambodia will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

Office of the President of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly

Member States are kindly reminded that all communications may be sent to the Office of the President of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly (room S-3235; tel. 1 (917) 367-0292).

Security Council**Web site of the presidency**

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; e-mail mdc@un.org).

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law: Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law, which is located at <www.un.org/law/avl>, is a unique multi-media resource and key instrument for promoting a greater understanding of the essential role of the United Nations in the field of international law. It consists of a permanent collection of scholarly video lectures, historic archives of significant international law instruments and an online legal research library providing extensive international law research materials. Since its launch on 28 October 2008, the Audiovisual Library has been accessed in more than 160 countries, on all continents, by individuals speaking in more than 60 languages.

As the Audiovisual Library is funded by voluntary contributions, the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is seeking contributions from Member States in order to sustain the project on an on-going basis. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6971).

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Summary of official meetings

Monday, 14 September 2009

Security Council

6187th meeting

The situation in Sierra Leone

Third report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Sierra Leone (S/2009/438)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Sierra Leone, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Michael von der Schulenburg, Executive Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Sierra Leone.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to H.E. Mr. John McNee, Chairperson of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission and Permanent Representative of Canada.

The Council heard briefings by Mr. von der Schulenburg and H.E. Mr. McNee.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Sierra Leone.

General Assembly

Sixty-third session

105th plenary meeting The summary of the 105th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2009/179).

General Assembly**Committee on Conferences**

Substantive session of 2009

503rd meeting *Adoption of the report* [9]

The Rapporteur made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, France, Germany, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, the Philippines, the Syrian Arab Republic and the United States, as well as by the observer for Cuba.

The Committee adopted its draft report.

The Committee thus concluded its substantive session of 2009.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**Treaty Event****Multilateral Treaty Framework: An invitation to universal participation****2009 Treaty Event: Towards universal participation and implementation****United Nations Headquarters (23–25 and 28–29 September 2009)**

It is recalled that a series of successful treaty events has been held annually at the United Nations Headquarters commencing with the Millennium Summit in September 2000. This year, the annual treaty event will be held from Wednesday, 23, to Friday, 25 September, and on Monday, 28, and Tuesday, 29 September 2009, at United Nations Headquarters, to coincide with the general debate of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

The event, entitled "2009 Treaty Event: towards universal participation and implementation", provides a distinct opportunity for States to demonstrate their continuing commitment to the central role of the rule of law in international relations. This year's event will highlight treaties of global reach dealing with topics such as climate change, terrorism, human rights, transnational organized crime, statelessness and the use of nuclear and other weapons that adversely affect civilians.

The list of treaties being highlighted this year has been circulated by depositary notification C.N.163.2009 of 24 March 2009. As is customary, it will be possible to undertake treaty actions with regard to any treaty deposited with the Secretary-General during the treaty event. Necessary facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations intending to sign or deposit instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General during the treaty event may wish to inform their Governments accordingly for the purpose of completing the requisite domestic procedures.

Under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. All other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Likewise, instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession must be issued and signed by the same authorities.

Further information concerning the 2009 Treaty Event is available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site <<http://treaties.un.org>> and at the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (contact: Ms. P. Muriel Djella Ogandaga (tel. 1 (917) 367-9820); or Ms. Dina Hamdy (tel. 1 (212) 963-2113)). Information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the *Treaty Handbook*, which is also available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site.

Opening for signature (24 September 2009, 8.30 a.m. at the Treaty Signing area in the General Assembly Building, United Nations Headquarters)

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (New York, 10 December 2008)

The Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, which was adopted on 10 December 2008 during the sixty-third session of the General Assembly by resolution 63/117 (A/RES/63/117) shall, in accordance with its article 17, be open for signature by any State that has signed, ratified or acceded to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

The ceremony for the opening for signature of the Optional Protocol will be held on Thursday, 24 September 2009, at 8.30 a.m. during the 2009 Treaty Event at the Treaty Signing area in the General Assembly Building, at United Nations Headquarters. Following brief remarks by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Portugal, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Chairperson of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and a representative of civil society, the Option Protocol will be opened for signature by the Legal Counsel of the United Nations.

Certified true copies of the Optional Protocol of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, were established on 31 December 2008 and were transmitted to all States by depositary notification C.N.2.2009.TREATIES-1 of 20 January 2009.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Optional Protocol during the signing ceremony or thereafter could notify, and provide, if required, copies of the full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (e-mail depositaryCN@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963 5047).

Opening for signature

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea (New York, 11 December 2008)

The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea was adopted on 11 December 2008 at the sixty-third session of the General Assembly by resolution 63/122. In accordance with its article 88 (1), the Convention shall be open for signature by all States at Rotterdam, Netherlands, on Wednesday, 23 September 2009, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters.

Certified true copies of the Convention, which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, were established and transmitted to all States by depositary notification C.N.178.2009.TREATIES-2 of 8 April 2009.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (e-mail depositaryCN@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: <<http://treaties.un.org>>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2009* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Algeria
H.E. Mr. Mourad Benmehidi

Asian States:

Japan
H.E. Mr. Yukio Takasu

Eastern European States:

Poland
H.E. Mr. Andrzej Towpik

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Guyana
Mr. George Wilfred Talbot

Western European and other States:

Portugal
H.E. Mr. José Filipe Moraes Cabral

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Presidency of the General Assembly:

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Department for General Assembly and Conference Management:

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

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With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Monday, 14 September 2009.

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
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A/63/47 (SUPP)	Report of the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council — Supplement No. 4 [A C E F R S]
General Assembly	Documents
	Sixty-third session
A/63/951	Item 114 (c) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations — Note verbale dated 6 July 2009 from the Permanent Mission of Bahrain to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

- A/63/958 Items 44 and 107 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Concept note on the responsibility to protect populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity — Note by the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
- A/63/959 Item 110 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly — Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
- A/63/960 Note by the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
- A/63/L.70/Rev.1/Add.1 Item 113 — Multilingualism — Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, France, Gabon, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Niger, Romania, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Spain, Sudan, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia and Viet Nam: revised draft resolution — Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Belarus, Canada, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, South Africa, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Uganda and Ukraine [A C E F R S]
- A/63/L.101 Item 114 (a) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union — Algeria: draft resolution — Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union [A C E F R S]
- A/63/L.102 Item 48 — Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the preparation of the 2008 Review Conference — Mexico: draft decision — High-Level Dialogue of the General Assembly on Financing for Development [A C E F R S]
- A/63/L.103 Item 107 — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Draft resolution submitted by the President of the General Assembly — System-wide coherence [A C E F R S]
- Sixty-fourth session**
- A/64/128/Corr.1 Item 71 (a) of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of human rights: implementation of human rights instruments — Status of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol thereto — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/64/302 Item 49 of the provisional agenda — 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/64/304 Item 71 (b) of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

- A/64/306 Item 71 (b) of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Status of the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/64/345 Item 132 of the provisional agenda — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Letter dated 4 September 2009 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
- A/64/348 Items 7 and 131 of the provisional agenda — Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee — Pattern of conferences — Letter dated 8 September 2009 from the Chair of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

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